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# **Dallas Chapter**

Founded July 4, 1929 Texas Society - Sons of the American Revolution

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Ventana by Buckner South Tower, Grand Hall 8301 N US 75-Central Expressway - Dallas, TX 75225 Many complain of their Memory, few of their Judgement.

Breakfast – 8:00am

 $Meeting-9{:}00am$ 

PRESIDENT Mark H. Harrison

1st VICE-PRESIDENT/PROGRAMS Thomas F. Van Fossen

**2nd VICE-PRESIDENT/AWARDS** *JD Martin* 

**SECRETARY** Bill Watts

TREASURER Carl N. Harper

**REGISTRAR** Mark Morgan

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR Jerry Pinkerton

CHAPLAIN Frank H. Pounders

ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN Larry Luby

HISTORIAN Brent Harshman

**TRUSTEES** Jerry Pinkerton David Temple

**COLOR GUARD COMMANDER** *Bill Watts* 

## AGENDA

Call to Order – President Harrison

**Rules of Engagement** –

This meeting is being filmed and recorded. By joining this in-person or virtual meeting of the Dallas Chapter of the TXSSAR, you acknowledge and

agree that these proceedings may be made public.

Invocation – Larry Luby

Pledges – American Flag – Jon Tompkins Texas Flag – Bob Clark SAR – T L Holden

Welcome - President Harrison - Welcome to all.

### Visitors

Former State President David Temple and Bob Clark, Secretary General International Chapter and acting President of our new Ellis County Chapter and Chairman of the JROTC Committee Jack Haughton, District 6 VP Tom Van Fossen, District 11 VP Tom Milson, T L Holden Patriot Research Committee. We apologize if we have missed anyone.



#### **Chapter Historical Minute**

Video of the 1931 Dallas Chapter Marking of Revolutionary War Patriot John Abston's Grave in Lavon, Texas.

Introduction of our morning Speaker – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Van Fossen turned over the introduction



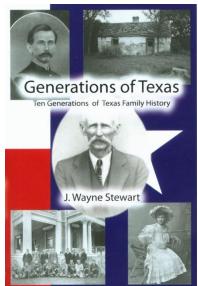
to Jerry Pinkerton who introduced our morning speaker.

J. Wayne Stewart Compatriot & Author – Generations of Texas

I will be talking about the Vaughan side of the family. In my research there were 4 Revolutionary War

Patriots, 2 Texas Revolution Martyrs, 2 frontier Indian battles, 3 Civil War brothers, fighting on opposite sides, and 4 who fought in World War I and II.

The stories were obtained from information left to me by my parents and a notebook from my ancestor written during the Civil War.





Wayne will have more books in the future.

Jerry Pinkerton, Wayne Stewart, Tom Van Fossen and Mark Harrison



New Members – Inland Registrar Jerry Pinkerton

David Gray | Hawkins Hart

Timothy Davis | Evans Watkins

Johnny Carson was a talk show host several years ago. Does anyone know what he wanted as the epitaph on his tombstone? Find the answer after Color Guard Report.



Katherine and David Gray, Timothy Davis, Jerry Pinkerton and Mark Harrison

Member Anniversaries – President Mark Harrison

15 YearsDavid Briggs15 YearsDouglas Briggs45 YearsByron Egan

#### **Opportunities to Serve your Chapter**

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We have a number of opportunities to serve your chapter. Please look over the needs of the Dallas Chapter and consider which opportunity will be the best fit for you. Your participation will aid the Dallas Chapter as we enter our 100<sup>th</sup> year of serving the city of Dallas.

Please complete the following form and give it to one of the chapter officers. We thank you in advance for participation in your Dallas Chapter.

## Dallas Chapter #2 SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

### Welcome Compatriot

We are honored to have you join the Texas Society and membership in our Chapter. As is our tradition, we ask all new members to review a list of the many options of service programs and volunteer positions that you may have an interest in and can contribute your talents to help us succeed in our basic mission of providing

# Patriotism, Education, History

to the community, the youth of our country and forever remembered. Please review the various positions and categories listed below and select one (or more) that you have a desire to assist or help us develop in the year(s) ahead.

Return this form to the Chapter President and feel free to ask any

other Officer, Committee Chairman or your Sponsor, if you have any questions.

- **OFFICERS**: (serve as A or assist B)
- President
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres./Programs
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres./Awards
- Secretary/Meeting Minutes & Records
- Treasurer/Financial
- **Registrar/Membership Records/Applications**
- Chaplain/Minister to Membership
- Historian/Each Year's Scrapbook of Activities
- Newsletter Editor/Monthly Publication
- Sergeant-at-Arms/Maintenance & Placement **Of Chapter Flags/Banners**

 Webmaster (chapter website)
 Member of our Color Guard
 Speaker's (presentations) Bureau

Name Phone Email

- **COMMITTEES:** (Chair A or assist B)
- Public Relations & Publicity
- Community Service Awards
- Member Retention
- DAR Liaison
- \_\_\_\_ CAR Liaison
- Annual Audit
- American History Teacher
- Brochure Contest (MS)
- CAR Essay Contest
- Eagle Scout Essay Contest
- \_\_\_\_\_ Knight Essay Contest (HS)
- Oration Contest (HS)
  - Poster Contest (Elem)

#### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

#### Secretary – Watts

Motion for approval made by Jerry Pinkerton,  $2^{nd}$  – David Temple - Minutes Approved

**Treasurer** – Treasurer Harper

**Financials** as of 31 Aug 2023 were presented

Registrar – Morgan

Approved —20

Closed -33



New Members Approved — 14 Memorial Applications Approved — 3 Supplemental Applications Approved — 3 Total 20

New Member Inductions YTD — 12 New Members Inducted Today — 2 New Members to be Inducted — 4 Total 18

Total Active Members 253

In Progress at Chapter — 28

At National for Review — 12

We have a total of 93 Applications

(2 Regular, 10 Supplemental, 0 Memorial)



A New Member Pin was awarded to the Dallas Chapter Historian Brent Harshman by the Chapter Registrar Mark Morgan for his work towards providing the Dallas Chapter with new members

Historian - Historian Harshman

Send pictures of events for future yearbooks to:

**Brent Harshman** 

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brentharshman@protonmail.com

When submitting photos, please identify the event, the date, and the location.

#### Color Guard – Commander Watts

September 15, 2023 Friday – Korean War Veteran Internment SGT Willie J. Baty will be interned at DFW National Cemetery 2000 Mountain Creek Pkwy muster at 10:15 am service at 11 am.

Korean War MIA, Sgt. Willie J Baty, a Silver Star Recipient of Mexia, Texas has been identified. Sgt. Baty was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action with the 25<sup>th</sup> Division in Korea.

In the fall of 1950, Baty was a member of L Company, 3rd Battalion, 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division. He was reported missing in action on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> when his unit was forced to withdraw from the Masan area of the Pusan Perimeter, South Korea. Following the battle, his remains could not be recovered and there is no evidence that he was ever a prisoner of war. The Army issued a presumptive finding of death on Dec. 31, 1953, and his remains were determined to be non-recoverable on Jan. 15, 1956.

Remains designated as Unknown X-159 discovered near Masan were buried at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific with other Korean War Unknowns. X-159 was dis-interned with 652 other Korean War Unknowns and was sent for DNA analysis. X-159 was identified as W J Baty of Mexia, Texas.

September 29 – October 22, 2023 Registration Table at the Jane Douglas House at the State Fair please sign up using the following link <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C49A5AA2AABF85-texas4/56576721#/</u>

October 1, 2023 Sunday – Viet Nam Memorial with CAR State Fair 2 pm Muster 1:30 pm at Jane Douglas House at State Fair

October 20, 2023 Friday – October 22, 2023 Sunday – Board of Managers at College Station

October 27, 2023 – October 29, 2023 LA Patriot Grave Marking

November 4, 2023 Saturday – National Event - Fields of Honor Event at Red Tail Pavilion at Oak Point Park in Plano 2801 E Spring Creek Pkwy Plano between 11 am and 5 pm Check out the web page for your event. Attendance will count as a National Event of the Fields of Honor. <u>https://planoflagsofhonor.com/event-time-line/</u>

November 11, 2023 Saturday – National Event - Veterans Day at Red Tail Pavilion at Oak Point Park in Plano 2801 E Spring Creek Pkwy Plano between 3:30.p am and 5:30 pm Muster time is at 3 Check out the web page to see what is going on. Attendance will count as a National Event for Veterans Day. <u>https://planoflagsofhonor.com/event-time-line/</u>

November 12, 2023 Sunday – National Event - Massing of Colors Fort Worth, Texas9100 N. Normandale Street Ft Worth Muster 1:30 pm **Arrive early to find a parking spot.**  November 16, 2023 Thursday – State Event - Grave Marking of H P Eller at Pecan Grove Cemetery 1701 McDonald, McKinney at 4:30 pm Muster time 4 PM. After the marking we will meet at Spring Creek BBQ 1993 N Central Expy, McKinney, TX for dinner and you can stay to attend the McKinney Chapter. President Sam Massey will be the speaker.

December 16, 2023 Saturday – National Event - Wreaths Across America 3900 Oakland Circle Dallas Muster at 10:30 am arrive earlier to get a parking spot.

If you would like to sponsor a wreath please use this link; https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/164782/Overview/?relatedId=171591&fbclid=IwAR2J F-XRLxdpuEMWHPztchxDCFysytB5qY46xAO61p1eOqhnb74Vc2TE3qo

Remember to let Mark Harrison know how many wreaths you sponsor for our end of year report.

The answer to; "Johnny Carson was a talk show host several years ago. Ddoes anyone know what he wanted as the epitaph on his tombstone? I'll be right back!

#### **OLD BUSINESS –**

Merchandise Table – Tom Whitelock



We have Metal and Wood Challenge Coins, 125th Anniversary Medal Set, and a Patriot House Banner to aid our Chapter in the efforts to raise money for our youth programs.

**Get Your Patriot Banner** at Merchandise Table

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Remember; "Failure is not an option. It's bundled with your software!"

#### NEW BUSINESS -

 Next Meeting — October 14<sup>th</sup> @ 09:00am Speaker — Marc Liebman Naval Lessons from the American Revolution That Are Still Valid Today
Save the Date — Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> Chapter Dinner Meeting with Your Invited Guest
Board of Managers (BOM) meeting to be held in College Station, TX, on October 20-22, 2023, at the Wyndham Gardens Hotel. Registration now open on TXSSAR site.

#### **Youth Contests**

Poster, Brochure, Essay, Oration, Video, Eagle Scout, and 4-H. We also have an Outstanding History Teacher Contest. Contact schools, friends, relatives – anyone you know concerning the various contests.

Please contact Larry Luby. We want students to enter the various contests.

Paul Ridenour – I have Pioneer Families of Texas Volume II and III. Take your free copy home with you today.

#### SAR 250 Directory – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Van Fossen

Please verify your information. This will help us keep your data up to date.

**DOOR PRIZE** – Nick Harper

John Adams and Where Ever I Wind Up

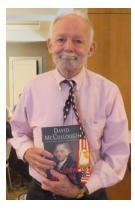




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#### TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

**"You are a Gentleman of Three outs!"** A Gentleman of Three Outs was a man who lacked wit, money (or credit) and manners.

"I can't believe that you are a Gilt!" Check right here next month! I hope you are enjoying this little word play.

**BENEDICTION** – Larry Luby

#### **SAR RECESSIONAL** – All

#### Viet Nam Veteran Pin



John Greer, Timothy Davis, DR Marshall, and TL Holden

Davis and Marshall received pins

#### NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY October 14th @ 9:00AM

Join us at our next Chapter meeting:

08:00 am - Breakfast buffet for \$10 including raffle ticket for door prize 09:00 am - Meeting program

#### For more information concerning volunteer opportunities please contact;

Mark Harrison Tom Van Fossen

Respectfully submitted, William B. Watts, Secretary

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#### DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION MEETING LOCATION (A) PARKING AREA (B)

